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YOUR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION ON 4TH MAY

George Perfect, Dr Kwashie Amartei Anang and Wayne Spring

George has lived in Medway all his life and been involved in politics in Medway for ten years. Starting as a member of the Youth Council, which he chaired from 2017-2018, he transformed the organisation through the development of the Medway Youth Awards. He was also a member of Medway Council's Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee from 2016-2018. He is currently the Chair of Governors of a local junior school and was the youngest Chair of Governors in the UK on appointment. His day job is in public affairs, supporting some of the UK's leading businesses on engagement with local authorities and government.

Kwashie is a highly motivated engineering lecturer, teaching HNC and Level 3 students. With excellent interpersonal skills, he is an effective team player and can engage with people from a broad range of backgrounds. He is President of the Medway Ghanaian Society, Director of the Medway Diversity Forum, Vice Chair of the Medway Police Independent Advisory Group, formerly a non-elected member of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee and formerly a governor of a Medway school. Kwashie is an experienced campaigner and passionate about his home, Medway.

Wayne is currently a national training and development manager and lawyer. He specialises in costs litigation and in training new lawyers up and down the country. Wayne's interests include musical theatre, cycling and singing. He is passionate about all things Medway and, if elected, will fight for the delivery of the new Splashes Leisure Centre which he considers to be a vital community asset.

George, Kwashie and Wayne

RAINHAM PLATINUM JUBILEE SIGN OFFICIALLY UNVEILED

It's official now! Our sign was unveiled on Sunday 5th March by the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Kent, Col Gilbert, representing His Majesty the King, and by Mayor of Medway, Cllr Jan Aldous.

Competition winner, Natasha also assisted with the unveiling, with members of the judging panel, Rehman Chishti MP, Cllr. Potter, Cllr Carr and George Perfect. All enjoyed being part of this special event in the history of Rainham. This project has been a local initiative led by Cllr Martin Potter with support of the Conservative Team of Rainham Councillors and excellent partnership working with the Highways and Communications Team at Medway Council. The beautiful sign will now stand as a local landmark to celebrate Rainham and be a lasting tribute to our late Queen, alongside the eclectic Rainham Recreation Park Jubilee Mural which was delivered by your Rainham North Councillors who led the project working with local schools and a Medway artist.

Unveiling Ceremony

RAINHAM ANTI-IDLING PROJECT WORKSHOP

It was excellent to attend two very productive workshops for the vehicle anti-idling project. The project is a partnership between Medway Council and the University of Kent with funding awarded by DEFRA to help improve the air quality along the A2 (High Street) corridor. Through the excellent efforts of local resident and clean air campaigner, Alan Stockley, workshops to design effective signage were facilitated by Alan at The Howard School (with students from Rainham Mark and Rainham School for Girls also attending), and for adults at St Margaret's Church with the support of the church and the Eco Hub.

SPLASHES - THE WORK BEGINS

We are pleased to share with you that work is now underway on the construction of the new Splashes Leisure Centre, opening for summer next year.

It's great to see things moving along rapidly and we look forward to seeing the structure rising out of the ground soon. Whilst swimming pools are being closed up and down the country, your local Conservative Councillors and Conservative Council will deliver a new state of the art leisure centre for Rainham and Medway which will include:

- a leisure pool with a flume, wave ball and kids beach,
- a four-lane 25 metre pool,
- a fitness gym and multi-purpose fitness studio,
- a cafeteria with viewing area.

Swimming is free for under 16's and over 60's in Medway.

Artist's impression of your new Splashes

GP SERVICES AT RAINHAM HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE

Your team of Conservative Councillors in Rainham have continued to fight to ensure access to local GP surgeries in Rainham. They challenged the local NHS on the Green Suite consolidating at Woodlands Road in 2018, submitted a petition in 2021 following the Blue Suite doing the same with Long Catlis Road, and Cllr Martin Potter recently held the NHS to account with regards to our further concerns about the Yellow Suite operating a hub model under Maritime Health.It's good news that the new Kent and Medway Medical School will support GP recruitment, but Kwashie, George and Wayne will continue to battle for local and timely access to services and they want to see this purpose built health facility in the centre of Rainham fully utilised for health services.

Kwashie and George with Cllr Potter

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OUR WEBSITE

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You can keep up to date by visiting www.rnconservatives.co.uk. The news is updated on a weekly basis and is the best place to keep in the know on all things Rainham North!

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Don't forget on Thursday 4th May, you will need to bring voter ID in order to vote. You can fnd out more information about how to vote by visiting www.medway.gov.uk

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